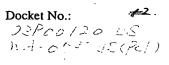
APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT **DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**



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EXHAUST EMISSION CONTROL SYSTEM, METHOD OF CALCULATING PRESSURE LOSS OF FILTER, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING FILTER described and claimed in the specification:

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and amended on Aug. 20, 104 (if applicable). b. x filed on Aug. 20, 2004 as Application No. 10/505, 318

c. A described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/JP03/02378 filed on Feb. 28, 2003 and as amended under PCT Article 19 on Sep. 1, 2003

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

Under Title 35, U.S. Code §119, the priority benefits of the following foreign application(s) and/or United States provisional application(s) filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns within one year prior to this application are hereby claimed:

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